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UTAH STATE NEWS

The anti-cigarette ordinance has been passed by the Provo City council.

There are now three families under quarantine for smallpox at Springville.

The Silver King mine at Park City has paid \$10,225,000 in dividends up to date.

A movement has been inaugurated in Provo looking to the suppression of the slot machines.

It is estimated that the windstorm in Salt Lake last week caused \$5,000 damage to property.

After working two years on the matter, Sandy is to have electric lights in her streets and houses.

Work has begun on the fair buildings at Provo, and great preparations are to be made for the Utah County fair this year.

The home of the Commercial club at American Fork is being fitted up in elegant style and will be ready for occupancy in a few days.

During the storm at Enterprise last week, four or five families were forced to flee from their homes, and the residence of John Alger was completely wrecked.

C. F. Jarvis, section foreman for the Southern Pacific at Moline, while walking along the track near that place was struck by a locomotive and seriously injured.

While attempting to control a fractious horse, Salvatore Narsola, an Italian, aged 18 years, was thrown suddenly under the wheels of a street car in Salt Lake City and killed.

Lehi farmers and gardeners will this spring plant 100 acres of cucumbers for the Mount Pickle company of Salt Lake. A salting station will be built on the Salt Lake Route at Lehi.

W. E. Clark's barn at Pleasant Grove was destroyed by fire last week, the work of an incendiary, but the firebug turned loose the horses that were tied in the barn, thus minimizing the loss.

A. B. Owen, aged 30, who had been employed in an Ogden hotel for the past eight months, suicided in the brush near the city, shooting himself in the mouth. Ill health led to the deed.

The directors of the Beck Salt Company have let the contract for a \$25,000 salt refinery to be erected near Kesslers, on the San Pedro, where a private sidetrack has recently been built.

The American Fork creamery is running again, after having been shut down for ten days, during which time the plant received a complete overhauling and was put in first-class condition.

The city officials of American Fork have taken a determined stand with reference to the selling of tobacco to minors. Hereafter any merchant or party selling tobacco to minors will be prosecuted.

The burning of the celluloid films of a moving picture machine at the opera house in American Fork caused a stampede of the audience, but some of the cooler heads prevailed and no one was injured.

While attempting to cross the road near the Enterprise reservoir during the storm last week, C. S. Fackler had a narrow escape from drowning, having sunk twice beneath the water before he was rescued.

It is announced that \$50,000 worth of machinery for the new smelter to be built at Ogden has been purchased, and that the contract of furnishing the power has been awarded to the Brigham City Power Co.

While at work on the Rocky Mountain Bell Telephone company's line at American Fork, Earl McCune of Salt Lake City received a very bad injury to his eyes. It is thought that he will lose the sight of his left eye.

The Ogden city council has passed an ordinance regulating the speed of automobiles to eight miles per hour through the streets and four miles per hour over crosswalks. It is expected the mayor will veto the ordinance.

A representative of an eastern furniture manufacturing company is in Salt Lake for the purpose of locating a branch plant in Utah. He states that from 200 to 500 persons will be employed in the plant to be established in Utah.

With his year-old daughter clutched in his arms, Samuel G. Kirkman, aged 38, of Salt Lake, drank from a bottle of carbolic acid with suicidal intent. Mrs. Kirkman was suing for divorce, and Kirkman decided he was tired of life.

EUROPE IS OUR BEST CUSTOMER

Takes Two-thirds of Our Exports and Supplies Half the Imports.

Europe Takes More Than a Billion Dollars' Worth of the Exports From the United States, While All Other Ports of the World Take Less Than Half a Billion.

Washington.—Europe takes two-thirds of the exports of the United States and supplies practically one-half of the imports. This statement summarizes in a single sentence the general facts which have been developed by a series of discussions of the trade of the United States with the countries of Europe recently presented by the department of commerce and labor through its bureau of statistics. These discussions have presented an analysis of the trade with each country of Europe by principal articles, and when summarized show that Europe takes more than a billion dollars' worth of the exports from the United States, while all other parts of the world take a little less than a half billion dollars' worth. In no year since 1899 has the value of exports to Europe fallen below one billion dollars, while that to all other countries has never touched the five hundred million dollar mark. Prior to 1900 the exports to Europe had never been as much as one billion dollars in value; in that year they crossed the billion dollar line, being \$1,040,000,000, and have since that time averaged about \$1,050,000,000 per annum. In 1900 the exports to all sections of the world other than Europe were \$354,000,000 in value, but have grown year by year until in 1905 they were \$498,000,000, the growth since in 1900 in exports to the non-European countries having been proportionately greater than that to Europe.

COMPLAINT AGAINST KURDS.

American Schools Plundered and Burned by Fanatics.

Boston.—A complaint from the officials of the American school at Van, eastern Turkey, against the treatment by the Turkish officials and the Kurds, has been received by the American board of commissioners for foreign missions.

The school officials state that notwithstanding the ostensible friendship of a governor general, a man of unusual strength, the school has been plundered and burned by the Kurds in the presence of Turkish officials and soldiers. Fruit trees have been cut down and breadstuffs purchased by American missionaries for the American orphanage have been held by the Turkish government for more than four months.

SHOWS NO MERCY.

Russian General Crushing Revolution With Iron Hand.

Sukhum, Trans-Caucasia.—The manner in which General Alikanoff has crushed the revolution in the government in Kutais by razing towns, executing ring leaders of the movement and driving sympathizers with it to the mountains has produced such resentment that acts of terror and the throwing of bombs at the troops are frequent. General Alikanoff has proclaimed and is enforcing martial law with terrible vigor and revolutionaries or other persons caught with arms are immediately shot.

Workmen All Voted.

St. Petersburg.—The workmen in the St. Petersburg factories and mills on Sunday elected delegates to the assembly which will choose representatives to the municipal congress. This congress will be composed of representatives of all classes and will elect members to the national assembly. The election passed off quietly, even those at Putiloff, where the men are regarded as among the most radical, and practically all the workmen participated.

Tragedy at Dinner.

Kansas City, Mo.—Mrs. Ida Donelson, while entertaining a party of friends at dinner, became enraged at a remark of E. C. Harris, a painter, one of the guests, and shot and killed him. Harris had made a remark about Mrs. Donelson to which C. R. Higgins, the woman's nephew, took exception. The men quarreled. Higgins and his wife finally went for a policeman and while they were gone Mrs. Donelson killed Harris. No one witnessed the shooting.

Grover Cleveland is 69.

Princeton, N. J.—Former President Grover Cleveland spent his birthday away from home Sunday for the first time since he moved to Princeton. This was his sixty-ninth birthday. Mr. Cleveland is now in Florida with Professor Howard McClenahan, where the two have been for ten days. He will likely remain south a month longer on account of poor health. Mrs. Cleveland said that his outing in Florida was improving her husband and that she expected him to return much better.

WOMEN MEET DEATH IN A LODGING HOUSE FIRE

Were in a Veritable Trap, Without Stairways, and Cut Off From Escape by an Iron Door.

Kansas City, Mo.—Miss Agnes Inman, a corset maker, who came here three months ago from St. Louis, was burned to death and five other women were overcome by smoke in a fire in the annex of the Altman building at Eighteenth and Walnut streets in this city. Most of the tenants of the building are professional women and many of them sleep in their offices. Miss Inman was sleeping on the fourth floor and she was dead when the firemen found her. The other five women were taken down on ladders by the firemen from the fifth floor. They were all revived. The part of the building in which the fire occurred is without stairways and was shut off from the main structure by an iron door.

HEART-RENDING SCENES

Survivors Tell of Horrible Sights Following Wrecking of Train.

Pueblo, Colo.—Conservative estimates on the loss of life as the result of the collision of the two passenger trains on the Denver & Rio Grande railway twenty-five miles west of here, place the number of dead at thirty-six. Seventeen charred, mangled and utterly unrecognizable bodies lie in the Pueblo morgue, two others are in the morgue at Florence, several other persons are known to be dead, and possibly a score of bodies were burned to ashes.

There was not a single entire body recovered from the wreckage, with the exception of the engine man, who, although horribly mangled, had not been reached by the swift flames which swept through the wrecked cars.

Only seven of the dead can be identified and only one these corpses retains sufficient of the outline of the features to be readily recognizable.

Two telegraph operators are held in the public mind to be responsible for the awful disaster, although no formal indictment has gone out against them. Both have been ordered discharged from the service of the road. A coroner's jury has been empaneled and will investigate the cause of the accident.

It develops that R. G. Whitney, who was being escorted to the penitentiary by Deputy Sheriff Ed. E. Baird, had been chained to his seat and when the fire broke out in the wreckage he had no chance whatever to escape. By the hand of fate his guard perished with him.

The laws of Colorado have a provision making it a crime to fasten prisoners in transportation to car seats.

A heart-rending story of mother love and wretched self sacrifice is told by Conductor Kroeger, who had charge of the Pullmans on the west-bound train.

"I saw one mother," he said, "with a little babe in her arms. She knew that it was almost an impossibility to be saved herself, but her only thought was of her child. One hand was pinioned down under the debris, but her head and the other arm was free.

"She was trying to keep her head from the flames and, with her free hand, was holding the infant as high in the air as she could. Just as we were about to reach her she gave a gasp and fell back into the flames with the babe."

At a meeting of the priests at Kazan, Russia, application to recommend the sale of church lands to the peasants was seriously considered. The author of the resolution argued that it was not Christianlike for the church to retain immense stretches of uncultivated soil while the peasants were starving for want of land.

YOUNG WOMAN KIDNAPED.

Desperadoes Drop the Young Lady When Pursued by a Posse.

Tucson, Ariz.—A special to the Citizen from Morenci states that Saturday night at a ball, given by the Azules, a prominent social organization, three masked men entered the ball room and kidnaped a young lady, "shooting up" the dance hall. When pursued by a posse the desperadoes dropped the young lady and escaped into the hills.

Foreman Carried Down to Death by Avalanche of Snow.

Denver, Colo.—At Silverton a slide demolished the Green Mountain mill, recently installed at a cost of \$200,000, the assay office, engine room and a portion of the tramway. D. F. Hickey, mill foreman, was carried away by the slide and his body has not been found. All efforts to reopen the road to Silverton have been abandoned and it may be a month before the road is cleared.

Susan B. Anthony's Will.

Rochester, N. Y.—The will of Miss Susan B. Anthony was offered for probate Saturday. The estate amounts to \$10,000, all of which is left to the woman suffrage cause. Rev. Dr. Anna Shaw of Philadelphia and Lucy E. Anthony of Philadelphia, and Mary S. Anthony of this city are named as the trustees. The Anthony homestead is in Mary Anthony's name. By the terms of the will, Mary Anthony will not receive anything from her sister's estate.

TRAINS COLLIDE MANY KILLED

Horrible Disaster on the Rio Grande Near Pueblo, Colorado.

Tragedy Caused by Failure of Operator to Deliver an Order Which Changed the Meeting Place of the Trains.

Pueblo, Colo.—In a blinding storm which made it almost impossible for the trainmen to see ahead, two trains collided head-on at a point midway between Portland and Adobe, twenty-five miles west of Pueblo, at 2:20 o'clock Friday morning. Immediately following the collision several of the wrecked cars burst into flames and were consumed, a number of passengers being burned to death. Over thirty others were injured, but of these it is not thought any were fatally hurt. The cause of the wreck is attributed to the failure of an employee of the road to deliver an order which changed the meeting place of the two trains.

Conservative estimates on the total loss of life place the number of dead at thirty-five. Rio Grande officials insist that the exact number of persons on the two trains cannot be ascertained; that it is impossible.

P. F. Lively, night operator at Swallow, whose alleged failure to deliver orders to train No. 16 is supposed to have been the cause of the wreck, has been employed by the road for many years. He was relieved from duty and will be suspended until the matter is thoroughly investigated by the officials.

Both trains were running at the usual speed, the deep snow and high wind making it necessary to exercise exceptional care. Suddenly both headlights flashed out from the darkness, and it was realized for the first time that something was wrong. According to the story of Fireman J. H. Smith of the westbound train, Engineer Walter Coslett opened the emergency brake and the train was checked for an instant, but the slippery rails and the momentum of the heavy train carried it on.

Immediately after the collision a sheet of fire ran through the cars on both sides of the engines, and in a twinkling the crackling sound of breaking timbers started the men to action. In the forward coach of the westbound train every seat was occupied by passengers, most of whom were homeseekers on their way to the northwest. A number of foreigners are among them and in their terror they gave up life without making any attempt to reach safety outside the burning car. Paralyzed with fear and with prayers upon their lips, they sank to the floor of the car and were roasted alive. The cooler ones in the car, seeing their danger, rushed for the windows and doors, and with the aid of the passengers in the rear of the train and those members of the train crew who were unhurt, managed to reach the open air. Many of them were injured more or less seriously by the rough handling they received or from flying glass and timbers.

DAMAGE BY SLIDES.

Snow Thundering Down Mountain Sides in Colorado.

Denver, Colo.—Ourray, Durango, Silverton, Leadville, Aspen and other smaller mining camps have been visited with snowslides during the past few days.

Hairbreadth escapes from the snow which thunders down the steep sides of the mountains are reported from every mining camp, and grave fears are entertained for scores of daring prospectors and miners who are cut off from the outside world in their lonely cabins far up in the hills.

One slide at Silverton struck the edge of the town, doing considerable damage. The railroads in the San Juan region are blocked. The South Park road is blocked by a slide near Leadville. The mines around Crested Butte are completely cut off from transportation.

HOPE IS NOT ABANDONED.

Symptoms of Agreement at Algiciras Said to Be More Favorable.

Algiciras.—Postponement of the plenary conference on Moroccan reforms until March 20 arouses among the delegates hopes that Germany and France meanwhile will reach a basis of accord. The symptoms of agreement were more favorable Friday when the representatives of neutral nations energetically endeavored to influence mutual concessions.

Proposed Monument to Memory of Joseph Jefferson.

New York.—A committee of prominent men has been formed to take charge of the plans for the erection of a monument in Central park in memory of Joseph Jefferson. It is hoped to secure by popular subscription \$50,000. The statue will represent Mr. Jefferson in the familiar character of Rip Van Winkle and will be a life size bronze figure mounted on a granite pedestal. The Lincoln Trust company will act as the treasurer of the committee.

ORCHARD REFUSED TO PLEAD WHEN ARRAIGNED

A Plea of Not Guilty is Entered by the Court, But No Date for the Trial Was Set.

Boise, Ida.—Accompanied by six deputy sheriffs and Pinkerton detectives, all armed with Winchester rifles, Harry Orchard was taken from Boise to Caldwell Thursday morning to be arraigned for the murder of former Governor Steunenberg, to which he is alleged to have confessed. Orchard declined to enter a plea, but the court directed that a plea of not guilty be entered for him. Attorneys Cox and Bryan of Payette were appointed to defend Orchard. No date for the trial was set, but it is understood that the hearing will begin immediately after the conclusion of the trials of Haywood, Moyer and Pettibone.

HAMILTON HAS HIS SAY.

Money Was Given Him With Knowledge and Approval of Trustees.

Albany, N. Y.—Andrew Hamilton appeared before the insurance investigating committee Thursday afternoon and broke the silence which he has maintained, except for his statement brought from Paris by John C. McCall, ever since his name was first mentioned in connection with the great sums of money shown to have been paid to him during the past ten years on account of his legal and legislative work for the New York Life and other insurance companies.

He declared unequivocally that every payment to himself by the New York Life was made by the knowledge and approval of the trustees, especially of the finance and auditing committees, and roundly scored the officials of the company, who, he said, were not fit to administer the affairs of the company.

LOCKED WIFE IN BATH ROOM.

Then Murdered Actress and Put an End to His Own Life.

New York.—Louis Nasser, a race track man, locked his wife in a bath room Thursday, and while she was a prisoner there shot and killed Miss Stella Reynolds of New Orleans, an actress, who was a visitor at their home, and then killed himself. Miss Reynolds, it was said, was formerly an intimate friend of Nasser.

While his wife was in the bath room Nasser turned the key and went to Miss Reynolds' room. Their voices, the man's threatening and the woman's pleading, were heard by the wife in the bath room. Mrs. Nasser heard Nasser saying to the woman, "There's no use for you and I to live any longer. The best thing I can do is to kill you and kill myself."

Nasser then shot Miss Reynolds in the temple and himself in the forehead, both dying almost instantly.

MAY SETTLE QUESTION.

Anti-Semetic Agitation in Russia May Redound to Benefit of Jews.

St. Petersburg.—Out of the violent anti-semitic agitation may come unexpected good to the members of the oppressed race. The entire Jewish question has been raised in acute form and may be settled forthwith. The emperor is said to be amazed at the revelations made by the Jewish deputations which the premier received in audience March 7, and to have informed Count Witte that it was necessary to settle the question.

A bill according the Jews equality except in eligibility to possession in the official and military service is now said to have been prepared.

Prisoners are Tortured.

St. Petersburg.—Professor Courtenay, a member of the Academy of Sciences, in an open letter describes the horrible tortures to which, he asserts, the political prisoners at Warsaw were subjected by Chief of Police Greun. He cites as example of the cases in which prisoners starved, and on four consecutive nights were beaten with clubs, jumped on, their hair pulled out by the roots and the soles of their feet cut with knives until they signed statements confessing their guilt.

To Confer With Operators.

Indianapolis.—The national convention of the United Mine Workers of America opened at 10 o'clock Thursday, with over 1,000 delegates present, representing 1,461 locals. The convention has been called by President Mitchell to consider any questions that may arise in an agreement with the coal operators that will prevent a general strike on April 1, that would bring 425,000 men from the mines. The conference with the operators will begin here Monday.

Eight Men Horribly Burned.

Pittsburg.—Eight workmen were burned by an explosion of hot metal in the converting mill of the Edgar Thomson steel works at Braddock, Pa., on Thursday. The accident was caused by the overturning of a ladle which had just been filled from one of the furnaces and was going across the cinder pit. All the injured were foreigners. They were hurried to this city and placed in the Mercy hospital. The physicians say three will probably die.

NORTHWEST NOTES

George Adams, connected with a grading outfit, was struck by a train near Laramie, Wyoming, and killed.

The population of Lusk, Wyo., is increasing so rapidly that new school building is being demanded by the citizens.

Mrs. Mary Powell, accused of the theft of several head of cattle from a rancher, will be tried at Laramie, Wyo., in May.

Fred Ruprecht, who came to Laramie, Wyo., in 1872, and had lived there ever since, being amongst the oldest business men in the town, is dead.

A Japanese track walker slid from an embankment near Apex, Nevada, and was crushed to death between a train and the bank by the southbound passenger train.

Charles F. Miller, formerly probate judge of Laramie, Wyoming, and for many years prominent in the live stock business of Wyoming, died last week at the home of his sister in Culpepper, Va., aged 72.

Two fires at Missoula, Mont., which for a time threatened to destroy a large portion of the residence district of Missoula, resulted in a loss of \$5000, and the burning of several horses and hogs. The wind was blowing 35 miles an hour at the time of the fires.

The Las Vegas & Tonopah railroad, the line now under construction by Senator William A. Clark and his brother, J. Ross Clark, is now in operation as far as Indian Springs, forty-four miles from Las Vegas, and a large amount of freight and passenger business for the Nevada gold fields is being handled.

The sugar war between Claus Spreckles Western Sugar refinery and the Sugar Factory company of Honolulu, has caused the former company to bring raw sugar to the coast from Cuba. Mr. Spreckles has put in a line of sailing vessels for the purpose. He also gets cargoes from Java and the Philippines.

The officers of the Seventh infantry, stationed at Fort Missoula, have presented a petition to the county commissioners of Missoula county, asking that the saloons near the military post be abolished. It is represented that the saloons exert a demoralizing influence on the soldiers and that their presence tends to destroy discipline.

Logan Blissard, a fugitive convict, was shot and killed by Sheriff John Owens of Newcastle, Wyo., one mile south of Kimball, Neb., when resisting capture. Blissard, who was 19 years old, was wounded several weeks ago while endeavoring to escape with stolen horses. He escaped from the deputies while being taken to the penitentiary.

The report comes from Kalispell, Mont., of the loss of \$8,000 by the O'Brien Lumber company at the hands of highwaymen. John Peterson, a trusted employee, was carrying the money from Kalispell to the works at Tomers, about nine miles distant. Near the mill he was stopped by three men. One held the team, another held a gun at Peterson's head and the other secured the currency.

An agitation has been started for a bill in the next legislature for a re-districting of the state judicial districts of Wyoming. It is proposed to place Laramie and Albany counties in the first district, Carbon, Sweetwater and Uintah counties in the second district, Converse, Natrona, Fremont and Weston counties in the third, and the remaining portion of the state in the fourth district.

The board of education of the Douglas school district has sold to the state of Wyoming for a premium of \$146.50 an issue of \$10,000 of 5 per cent bonds, for the purpose of building an addition to the public school during the present summer.

Fire in the Rochester hotel, at Tacoma caused the loss of \$10,000. Many prominent citizens and their families make their home in the hotel, and for a time there was considerable anxiety as to their safety, but no one was injured and the flames were confined to the attic.

Buildings were shaken and windows shattered for a radius of several blocks in the business district of Bellingham, Wash., by the explosion of a gas tank in the rear of Mrs. M. E. Alice's hair dressing establishment on West Holly street. Mrs. Alice and two other women had marvelous escapes from injury.

The Bates' hole, Wyoming, ranchmen and stock owners have formed an association to assist in the extermination of wolves and coyotes, which have killed considerable stock in that section this winter.

John J. McEachern of Cripple Creek, Colo., convicted of conspiring to defraud the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance company, has confessed, implicating George R. Hall, an undertaker; Luke Kellogg and John Varley in an alleged plot to swindle the above company and several fraternal societies.

Thomas L. Foster, a carpenter, of Spokane, threw himself in front of a train at Pasco, Wash., and had both his legs cut off close to the body. Foster died half an hour later. No cause for the deed is known.